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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 162, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to school-sponsored clubs and extracurricular activities.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 162, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new
2 section, to be known as section 162.1110, to read as follows:

162.1110. 1. Each school district shall adopt policies and
2 procedures for notifying parents or legal guardians of students
3 regarding school-sponsored clubs and extracurricular activities, and
4 providing an opportunity for parents or legal guardians to withhold
5 permission for a child to join designated clubs or participate in
6 designated activities. An annual notification utilizing the student
7 handbook or other appropriate method shall include, without
8 limitation, the following:

9 (1) For school-sponsored clubs, the name of the club, mission, or
10 purpose of the club, the name of the club's faculty advisor, and a
11 description of past or planned activities;

12 (2) For extracurricular activities, the mission or purpose of the
13 extracurricular activity, name of the faculty advisor, and a description
14 of planned programs or actions.

15 Each school district shall comply with the written notification from a
16 parent or legal guardian who has withheld permission for a child to
17 join a club or participate in an activity, and shall not allow a child to
18 join a club or participate in an activity in contravention of written
19 notification from the child's parent or legal guardian forbidding such
20 club or activity.

21 2. All clubs, programs, or extracurricular activities occurring on

22 school property or sponsored by schools, school staff, or students shall
23 require written parental or legal guardian permission for membership
24 in each specific club or activity.

25 3. Beginning with the 2009-2010 school year, each school district
26 shall obtain written parental or legal guardian permission for a student
27 to participate in or be a member of a school-sponsored club or
28 extracurricular activity. Each school district shall obtain such
29 permission at the beginning of each school year.

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